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SUBJECT: NARCOTICS INTERDICTION - REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE BY
BERLIN (WEST) POLICE OF GDR AUTHORITIES

1. BERLIN (WEST) POLICE RECENTLY RECEIVED INFORMATION FROM
AN UNDISCLOSED SOURCE GIVING THE NAME OF A TURKISH COURIER
WHO WOULD ARRIVE AT GDR BERLIN-SCHOENEFELD AIRPORT FROM
ISTANBUL WITH UNKNOWN AMOUNTS OF HEROIN IN MODIFIED SUIT-
CASES DURING THE PERIOD 4-7 AUGUST. ACCORDING TO THE
INFORMANT, THE COURIER WAS TO PASS THE SUITCASES TO ONE OR
MORE OTHER TURKISH NATIONALS AT THE AIRPORT AND THEN CROSS INTO
THE WESTERN SECTORS OF BERLIN AT WALTERSDORFER CHAUSEE.
THE PERSONS RECEIVING THE SUITCASE(S) AT SCHOENEFELD WOULD TAKE
THEM INTO EAST BERLIN AND EVENTUALLY SMUGGLE THE HEROIN INTO
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THE WESTERN SECTORS. THE COUIER, STANG HAMSZ KOEMUERCUE,
BORN [Sensitive Information Removed Per NARA 12 DEC 2014] IN ADANA, TURKEY, HAS A LONG RECORD OF
DEALING IN ILLICIT NARCOTICS. THE PERSON(S) SCHEDULED TO
RECEIVE THE SUITCASE(S) AT SCHOENEFELD WERE NOT IDENTIFIED.

2. AT THE REQUEST OF THE POLICE PRESIDENT, PERMISSION
WAS GRANTED FOR A DIRECT COMMUNICATION (TELEX) TO THE

GDR AUTHORITIES CONVEYING THE ABOVE INFORMATION. THE FINAL PARAGRAPH OF THE TELEX SUGGESTED THAT, SINCE THE POLICE IN BERLIN (WEST) HAD PROVIDED THE DETAILS WHICH COULD ASSIST THE GDR AUTHORITIES IN MAKING A MAJOR NARCOTICS ARREST, THE GDR AUTHORITIES IN ALL PROBABILITY WOULD WANT TO INFORM THE BERLIN (WEST) POLICE OF THE RESULTS. NO INFORMATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED THUS FAR.

3. COMMENT: US MISSION CANNOT DOCUMENT ANY PREVIOUS CASE OF THIS TYPE INFORMATION BEING PASSED DIRECTLY BY THE POLICE TO THE GDR AUTHORITIES. IN ADDITION TO ENCOURAGING COOPERATION IN THE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION ON NARCOTICS SMUGGLERS IT HELPS TO KEEP THE PRESSURE ON THE GDR IN A CONSTRUCTIVE WAY TO DO MORE TO STOP SMUGGLING THROUGH SCHOENEFELD.

4. WITH RESPECT TO GDR AWARENESS OF INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS PROBLEMS, MISSION OFFICERS MONITORING THE NARCOTICS SITUATION HAVE NOTED APPARENT INCREASED ATTENTION BY GDR NEWS MEDIA TO DRUG ABUSE IN THE WESTERN WORLD. ON JULY 28 THE DEUTSCHE RUNDFUNK OPENLY ACCUSED WEST BERLIN OF BEING THE DRUG CAPITAL EUROPE AND THE 29/30 JULY ISSUE OF NEUES DEUTSCHLAND CARRIED A HALF PAGE ARTICLE REGARDING NARCOTICS ABUSE IN PORTUGAL. NELSON

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